CITY OF CHEWELAH

Rates/Policies for
Chewelah Pioneer Cemetery
Chewelah Memorial Park

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1. PRICE SHEET

Lots:

Single Grave Lot ..... CMP ..... $ 775 (1)(2)
Secondary Usage Fee ..... $ 350 (3)
Single Grave Lot ..... Pioneer..... $ 525 (1)(2)
Secondary Usage Fee ..... $ 350 (3)
Single Cremains Lot..... CMP ..... $ 350 (4)
Double Cremains Lot ..... CMP ..... $ 540 (5)
Secondary Usage Fee $350 (3)
Double Cremains Lot ..... Pioneer..... $ 375 (5)(6)
Secondary Usage Fee $350 (3)
Cremains Opening/Closing (Mon – Fri, excluding holidays)…Pioneer or CMP ..... $ 250 ea (7)(8)
Cremains Opening/Closing (Saturday or holiday)……Pioneer or CMP ..... $ 350 ea (7)(8)

Niche Wall – Chewelah Memorial Park

Niche ..... $ 675 (4)
Opening & Closing (Mon – Fri, excluding holidays) ..... $200 (7)(8)
Opening and Closing (Saturday or holiday)..... $375 (7)(8)
Secondary Removal of Niche Shutters to Engrave Final Date $150
Inscription / shutter removal $200
Design Element ..... $ 50

Transfer of Ownership ..... $ 50/per
City Buy Back of Interment Rights (Lots) ..... $ 25/per
Record Change Fee ..... $ 25/per

Memorial Relocation ..... (by City personnel)..... $125/per

(1) No more than two human remains can be interred in one grave.
(2) Only ONE casketed human remains is allowed in one grave.
(3) This fee is IN ADDITION to an opening/closing fee.
(4) Only ONE urn is allowed to be interred in a single cremains lot or niche.
- Maximum size of burial urn is 19” x 14” x 14”
- Maximum size of niche urn is 9” x 9” x 9”

(5) Only TWO urns are allowed to be interred in a double cremains lot.
(6) **Availability and placement to be determined by City.**
(7) All interments of any kind must be performed by the City.
(8) No open/close on Sunday.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

* No headstone or embellishment of any kind shall be allowed on a grave until the cemetery account has been paid in full.
* Only ONE headstone per grave is allowed.
* All pictures/special inscriptions must be approved by City personnel prior to placement in a cemetery.

2. RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. PURPOSE

a. These rules and regulations are designed for the protection of the **Chewelah Pioneer Cemetery** and the **Chewelah Memorial Park** and of the owners of the interment rights as a group. They are intended, not as restraining, but rather as preventing the inconsiderate from taking unfair advantage of others. Their enforcement will help protect your Cemeteries and create and preserve their beauty. These rules and regulations are hereby adopted as the rules and regulations of the above named Cemeteries, and all owners of interment rights, visitors and contractors performing work within the Cemeteries, shall be subject to said rules and regulations, amendments or alterations as shall be adopted by the City from time to time.

2. DEFINITIONS

a. The term "Cemeteries", as used in these rules and regulations, is hereby defined to mean the above named Cemeteries.

b. The term "Owner" shall mean the owner of rights of interment.

c. The term "interment" shall mean cremation and inurnment, entombment or burial of the remains of a deceased person.

d. The term "memorial" shall mean any marker or structure upon or in any lot or niche, placed thereupon or therein or partially therein for the purpose of identification or in memory of the interred.

e. The term "contractor" as used in these rules and regulations shall mean any person, firm or corporation or anyone engaged in placing, erecting or repairing any memorial, or performing any work within the Cemetery grounds, other than an employee of the City.

3. USE

Lots in these Cemeteries shall be used for no other purpose than the burial of the human dead.

4. SUPERVISION OF CEMETERY

a. The City reserves the right to compel all persons coming into the Cemeteries to obey all rules and regulations adopted by the City. The rules and regulations may be changed without notice to any Owner by the City of Chewelah.

b. The City shall take reasonable precaution to protect Owners, and the property rights of Owners, within the Cemeteries, from loss of damage; but it distinctly disclaims all responsibility for loss or damage from causes beyond its reasonable control, and, especially, from damage caused by the elements, an act of God, common enemy, thieves, vandals, strikers, malicious mischief makers, explosions, accidents, invasion, insurrections, riots, or order of any military or civil authority, whether the damage be direct or collateral, other than as herein provided.

c. The City reserves, and shall have, the right to correct any errors that may be made by it either in making interments, disinterments or removals, or in the inscriptions, transfer, or conveyance and substituting and conveying in lieu thereof other interment rights of equal value and similar location as far as possible, or as may be selected by the City or, in the sole discretion of the City, by refunding the amount of money paid on account of said purchase. In the event such error shall involve the interment of the remains of any person in such property, the City reserves and shall have the right to remove and transfer such remains so interred to such other property of equal value and similar location as may be substituted and conveyed in lieu thereof.

d. Automobiles shall not be driven through the grounds at a greater speed than fifteen miles per hour, and must always be kept on the right side of the Cemetery roadways. Automobiles are not allowed to turn around on the driveways or roadways, and are not allowed to park or to come to a full stop in front of an open grave unless such automobiles are in attendance at the funeral.

e. The right to enlarge, reduce, replat or change the boundaries or grading of the Cemeteries or of a section or sections, from time to time, including the right to modify or change the locations of /or any part thereof or remove or regrade roads, drives and walks is hereby expressly reserved. The right to lay, maintain and operate, or alter or change pipe lines or gutters for sprinkling systems, drainage, lakes, etc., is also expressly reserved, as well as the right to use Cemetery property, not sold to individual owners, for Cemetery purposes, including the interring and preparing for interment of dead human bodies, or for anything necessary, incidental thereto. The City reserves to itself, and to those lawfully entitled thereto, a perpetual right of ingress and egress over lots for the purpose of passage to and from other lots.

5. SALE / TRANSFER / BUY BACK OF INTERMENT RIGHTS

a. The sale or transfer of any interment right by any Owner shall not be binding upon the City unless same shall first be duly approved in writing by a properly authorized officer of the City and such interment right reconveyed to the City -- the City shall issue a Conveyance to the new Owner. The original deed must be returned to the City. This procedure is required in order that the City may at all times have a complete and accurate record of all owners and purchasers.

b. Any and all transfers of any interment right are subject to all rules and regulations of the City, which are now in full force and effect or which may be hereafter enacted. The City may refuse to consent to a transfer or to an assignment as long as there is any indebtedness due the City from the Owner so recorded in the records of the Cemetery at the City office. **All transfers of ownership shall be subject to a charge of $50.00**, which charge must be paid to the City when the transfer is recorded.

c. At its discretion, the City may buy back interment rights of unused lots upon written request of the owner and at the original purchase price of the lot. The original deed must be returned to the City. **All buy backs shall be subject to a charge of $25.00** (in lieu of the $50.00 referenced in 5(b)).

d. The subdivision of interment rights is not allowed without the consent of the City and no one shall be buried in any lot not having an interest therein, except by written consent of all parties interested in such lot and of the City.

e. All interment and all work on lots will be performed by employees of the City except when permission is otherwise granted. This includes all grading, landscape work, and improvements of any kind, all care of lots, the planting, trimming, cutting or removal of all trees, shrubs and herbage of any kind, all openings and closings of lots, and all interments, disinterments, and removals..

f. No enclosure of any kind, such as a fence, coping, hedge, or ditch, shall be permitted around any grave or lot within the Chewelah Memorial Park. No enclosure of any kind, such as a fence, coping, hedge, or ditch, shall be permitted around any grave or lot within the Chewelah Pioneer Cemetery without prior approval of the City.

g. Grave mounds will not be allowed and no lot shall be raised above the established grade.

h. Each Owner is vested with the ownership of his or her interment right for the sole purpose of the interment of human dead bodies. Under the regulations of the City the interment rights cannot be conveyed without the assent of the City of Chewelah, nor any use, division or improvements of them be made which said Administration prohibits, or may deem improper. The Owner of interment rights may dispose of same by will, subject to the foregoing conditions. If the Owner dies intestate, the interment rights will descend to his or her heirs according to the laws of descent, except as otherwise provided in the State Cemetery Code or Act at such time in effect.

i. No conditional or partial transfer of interment rights and no sale of an undivided interest, except to a person or persons who are already part-owners, will be recorded, as the City cannot be responsible for the carrying out of the intent of the grantor. No burial shall be made on any lot until the purchaser shall have paid on the interment rights therein the amount required by the City.

j. The general care of the entire Cemetery grounds and lots is assumed by the City. This, however, does not provide for any special care. Estimates for any special work will be made by the City upon application, and charges for the work must be paid in advance.

k. No person other than an employee of the City shall be allowed to perform any work on any grave or lot within the grounds without permission from the City.

l. If any memorial, or any structure whatsoever, or any inscription to be placed on same, shall be determined by the City to be offensive, it shall have the right and it shall be its duty to enter upon such lot and remove, change or correct the offensive or improper object or objects.

6. MEMORIALS

a. Only one grave memorial will be permitted on a grave space. No memorial may be set to embrace two or more grave spaces except a companion/family memorial. All Memorials shall be set on uniform lines as prescribed by the City, to conform to the general plan of the Cemetery. No memorials or embellishments of any kind shall be allowed on a grave prior to payment in full of the cemetery account. No memorials or embellishments of any kind shall be placed on a grave except by professional monument providers without the written consent of the City. The City does not keep records of memorials nor does it take responsibility for their care and maintenance.

b. The marking of each lot, grave or graves within the **Chewelah Memorial Park**, except as hereinafter provided, is restricted and limited to flat bronze or stone tablets, set flush with the turf, and of such dimensions, materials, design, finish and construction as designated by the City.

c. One flush mount vase or military memorial per burial lot will be allowed. The vase assembly or military memorial must be a maximum size of 10”, must be level with the memorial, centered on the memorial, and located within 2 inches of the memorial.

7. INTERMENTS

a. Graves must be located by a City representative. No interment will be permitted without the approval of the City and of the owner(s) as shown on the records of the Cemetery, or his/her representative.

b. No interment will be permitted without a liner/vault/urn of approved burial grade material and construction that can withstand the rigors of cemetery operation. No more than two human remains shall be interred in one grave. Interment shall be limited to either one casketed human remains plus one cremated human remains or two cremated human remains. Single ash plots and niche spaces are limited to one cremated human remains.

8. GENERAL REGULATIONS

a. No dogs shall be permitted within a Cemetery.

b. Bringing food, beer or intoxicating liquors within a Cemetery is forbidden.

c. No boxes, shells, toys, glassware, sprinkling cans, receptacles or similar articles will be permitted on any grave, lot or tree.

d. The City is not responsible for theft or damage to anything placed on graves or lots.

e. Any person desiring to remove a body from the grave space of another must present a notarized written authorization signed by the Owner for such removal, and also himself sign a request to have such removal made. These shall remain on file in the City office.

f. The City and its employees/representatives have authority to enter upon any lot and to remove any objectionable thing or any erection that may have been placed there contrary to the regulations of said City and to remove any dead or damaged tree, shrub or vine.

g. No person shall either ride or drive upon the lawns.

h. No person will be permitted to use profane or boisterous language or in any way disturb the quiet and good order of the Cemeteries.

i. All persons are strictly forbidden to break or injure any tree or shrub, or mar any landmark, marker or memorial or in any way deface the grounds of the Cemeteries.

j. The City reserves the right to remove all flowers, potted plants, summer wreaths or baskets of flowers when they become withered, or for any other reason when in its judgment it is to the best interests of the City to do so.

k. The City may, and it hereby expressly reserves the right, at any time, or times, with or without notice to Owners, to adopt new rules and regulations, or to amend, alter and/or repeal any rule, regulation and/or article, section, paragraph and/or sentence in these Rules and Regulations.

l. Special cases may arise in which the literal enforcement of a rule may impose unnecessary hardship. The City, therefore, reserves the right, without notice, to make exceptions, suspensions or modifications in any of the Rules and Regulations when, in its judgment, the same appear advisable; and such temporary exceptions, suspensions or modifications shall in no way be construed as affecting the general application of such.

m. To the extent that it may lawfully do so, the City reserves the right to resolve conflicts between these regulations and those imposed by any government or governmental agency and to require such interpretation as conforms to these regulations although in any instance it may waive such right and acknowledge for and on behalf of all concerned in such matter that such government or governmental agency regulation shall prevail.

3. DIAGRAM OF LOT OPTIONS

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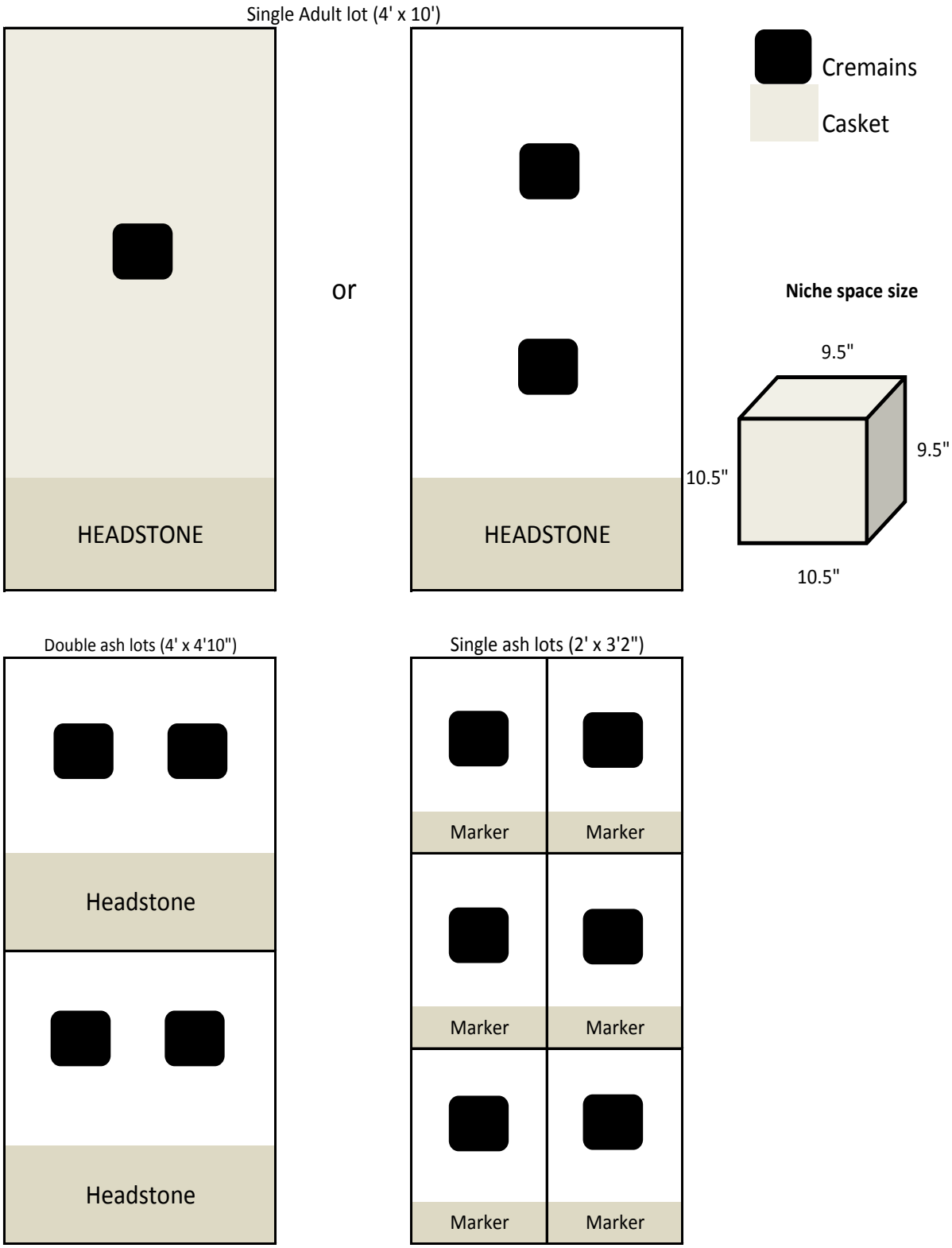

4. MEMORIAL SIZE LIMITATIONS

a. Cement borders, if any, must be included in dimensions.

b. All memorials without concrete encasement must be 4” minimum thickness.

c. Sizes given are maximum dimensions – smaller sizes may be used.

	Marker Size	Grave Size
FULL SIZE GRAVES:		
Single Grave Marker	20” x 32”	4’ x 10’
Companion/Family Marker centered over 2 graves	20” x 44”	8’ x 10’
CREMAIN GRAVES:		
Single Cremains Lot Marker	8” x 16”	2’ x 3’2”
Double Cremains Lot Marker	16” x 40”	4’ x 4’10”